Mr. Holland's Answer to Mr. Argill's Case.

R. Argill is justly indebted to Mr. Holland, against which he hath no Right to be relieved, Mr. Holland being of a different Principle to Mr. Argill, who hath declared to the World in Print, That he shall dye of no Religion.

Mr. Holland, for several Years, hath been at much Cost and Trouble, both in England and Ireland, to arrest Mr. Argill; and it was not Colonel Rice, who he never heard of before he saw his Name in the Votes, that put him upon taking up Mr. Argill, but his own Concern for the Recovery of his Money. And neither Mr. Argill or any other can with Truth say any Ill of him.

As to the Cases mentioned by Mr. Argill, to induce the Honourable House of Commons to demand him out of Custody as their Member, Mr. Holland hath neither Ability nor an Opportunity to examine them. But is advised that the Cases are misquoted, and misapplied, and particularly that Mr. Arnold was never discharged by the House: And that upon a full Consideration of all the Presidents of Priviledge in Mr. Mountague's Case

W. 3. who was a Prisoner in the Kings-Bench upon an Execution, the House would not discharge him.

In case the Warden of the Fleet allow Mr. Argill's Habeas Corpus, or a Day-Rule as they call it, he will get into the House of Commons, and trick both his Creditors and the Warden.

In case the House claim him as a Member, Mr. Holland, and the rest of his Creditors, at whose Suit he now lies, will lose their Debts, for they will never more be able to take him again.

In former times the Intervals of Parliament were both longer and oftener, so that there were better Opportunities to Arrest, and the Persons arrested did lie longer in Custody, which obliged them to Comply with their Creditors: But now the Intervals are but seldom, and the sitting of the Parliament soon after; so that such Persons who are not able or willing to pay their Debts, will abide the Inconveniency of a short Imprisonment, if they are sure that they shall be enlaged.

It is humbly hoped, that it will be considered whether this is not as much as if there were a plain Law to bar all Creditors from arresting any Member, during the whole time of his being a Member of Parliament, which would be attended with a great Inconveniency to all the worthy Members, who have only Personal Estates, because against them, there would then be no Law, and so no Credit given, which the best of Men have sometimes need of.

Mr. Holland thought, and was advised, if he could arrest Mr. Argill in an Interval of Priviledge, that he only ran the hazard of Mr. Argill's not being able to pay his Debts. But,

If Mr. Argill cannot be held in Execution, when taken up according to the Rules of the House, Mr. Holland wishes that he had not understood that Liberty to be in favour of Creditors, since it puts them to great Trouble and Charges to no purpose.

The Security of every Mans RIGHT is from the Parliament, and they have always been very tender of the SUBJECTS PROPERTY, and therefore Mr. Holland lays his Debt at the Feet of the Honourable House, to dispose of it as they please, and will cheerfully submit to their WISE and JUST Determination.

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